

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2215 – SB 2427

February 17, 2016

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Creates a task force to study the feasibility of state government utilizing an open data policy.

Requires the task force to consist of 10 members including the Commissioner of General Services, the Comptroller of the Treasury, the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Finance and Administration, two members to be appointed by the Speaker of the Senate, two members to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and two members to be appointed by the Governor.

Requires the task force to report its findings to the chairs of the State and Local Government Committee of the Senate and the State Government Committee of the House of Representatives by February 1, 2017, at which point the task force will cease to exist.

Requires legislative members to be compensated in accordance with Tenn. Code Ann. § 3-1-106. Requires other members serve without compensation, but be entitled to reimbursement of travel expenses incurred.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – \$1,700/Each One-Day Meeting

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012266): Adds the Chief Data and Informatics Officer from the Department of Finance and Administration to the task force, thus increasing the task force from 10 to 11 members.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- All meetings of the task force are assumed to occur in Nashville.
- Tenn. Code Ann. § 3-1-106 requires legislative members be compensated for travel expenses.

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- Four members of the General Assembly will be appointed to the task force.
- The two members appointed by the Governor will be reimbursed for travel expenses at similar rates as legislative members.
- It is reasonably assumed that commissioners, constitutional officers, and the Chief Data and Informatics Officer will not be reimbursed for travel expenses.
- According to the Office of Legislative Administration, the average number of miles traveled for a legislative member is 297 round-trip. Members are reimbursed at \$0.47 per mile.
- The four legislative members will receive per diem of \$204 per member per day.
- An increase in state expenditures of \$1,653.54 [(\$0.47 x 297 miles x 6 members) + (\$204 x 4 legislative members)] for each one day meeting.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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